



It means as much to you right here as it does to

The MAN in FRANCE

HOW soon are you going to France?"

"They keep the sailings pretty secret, but it won't be before next Tuesday, I'm glad to say!"

"Why? Submarines?"

"No. Suffrage!"

"Suffrage? Oh, you want to vote."

"Yes, and I want to be right here where I can see them get it!"

"Who?"

"Why, the women of New York! I want to help them get it with my little old vote—and then I want to be here to shake hands with them!"

"You don't mean you, a soldier, are going to vote for suffrage."

"Say, listen! Do you know that the Canadian troops voted for it a little while ago? No spots on those boys—except medals."

"That's all right—but things are different in Canada."

"Sure, Canada is part of a monarchy. We live in a republic."

"Say, that's so, isn't it?"

"Besides, this war has shown us

where we were wrong about it."

"About what?"

"We've always said women weren't liable for service to the State."

"Well, they aren't now, are they?"

"Look at the women in Russia who went singing into the trenches! And right here and now—in every kind of war service—"

"Oh yes! I know—rolling bandages, and so on."

"Yes, and selling Liberty Bonds—and organizing Red Cross units—and taking the Military Census—and helping recruiting—and keeping the boys abroad warm and cheered up—and carrying the load of this Food Administration idea!"

"They'll probably get the vote sooner or later as a reward."

MAN alive! The women of this State aren't asking the vote as a reward for war service or anything else. They are going right ahead working harder than women ever worked before. But they know, as you and I know, how much more they could do with the vote."

"Why would that make any difference?"

"Ask England and France and Italy. They've been in this war three years longer than we have. They know!"

"You feel pretty strong about it, don't you?"

"Why, we actually couldn't fight this war a week without them!"

"What decided you so positively?"

WELL, when I get over on the other side, I'm going to feel a whole lot better if I know that every ounce of my country's strength is backing us up. It will be, too, if women vote. And that means as much to you at home as it will to me in France! But there's another reason."

"What's that?"

"I'm going away for a while. Maybe I'll be a long time 'over there.' And all I want is to make certain that two people are going to help run the country right, anyhow—while I'm gone."

"Who?"

"Why, my mother and my wife. I want them to vote, while I'm away—and to keep right on voting—especially, if I don't come back. That's all."

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